

REMARKS

This Supplemental Amendment is further to the Amendment dated March 30, 2005. Claims 145, 146, 149 to 151, 153 to 155, 158 to 160, 162, 163, 166 to 168 and 172 to 181 are pending in the application, with Claims 176 to 181 having been added.

In the Office Action dated March 1, 2005, art-based rejections were lodged against Claims 147, 148, 156, 157, 164 and 165. Applicants therefore cancelled Claims 147, 148, 156, 157, 164 and 165 in the Amendment dated March 30, 2005, in order to obtain an earlier allowance.

However, Applicants note that each of Claims 147, 148, 156, 157, 164 and 165 depended on an independent base claim which has been allowed. As such, each of Claims 147, 148, 156, 157, 164 and 165 should have been allowed. Accordingly, Claims 176 to 181 are now being added to re-introduce the content of Claims 147, 148, 156, 157, 164 and 165, respectively.

This Supplemental Amendment is being submitted after a telephone conversation on April 25, 2005 between the Examiner and Applicants' representative, in which the Examiner indicated that he would allow entry of such a Supplemental Amendment. Entry hereof and passage to allowance are respectfully requested.

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